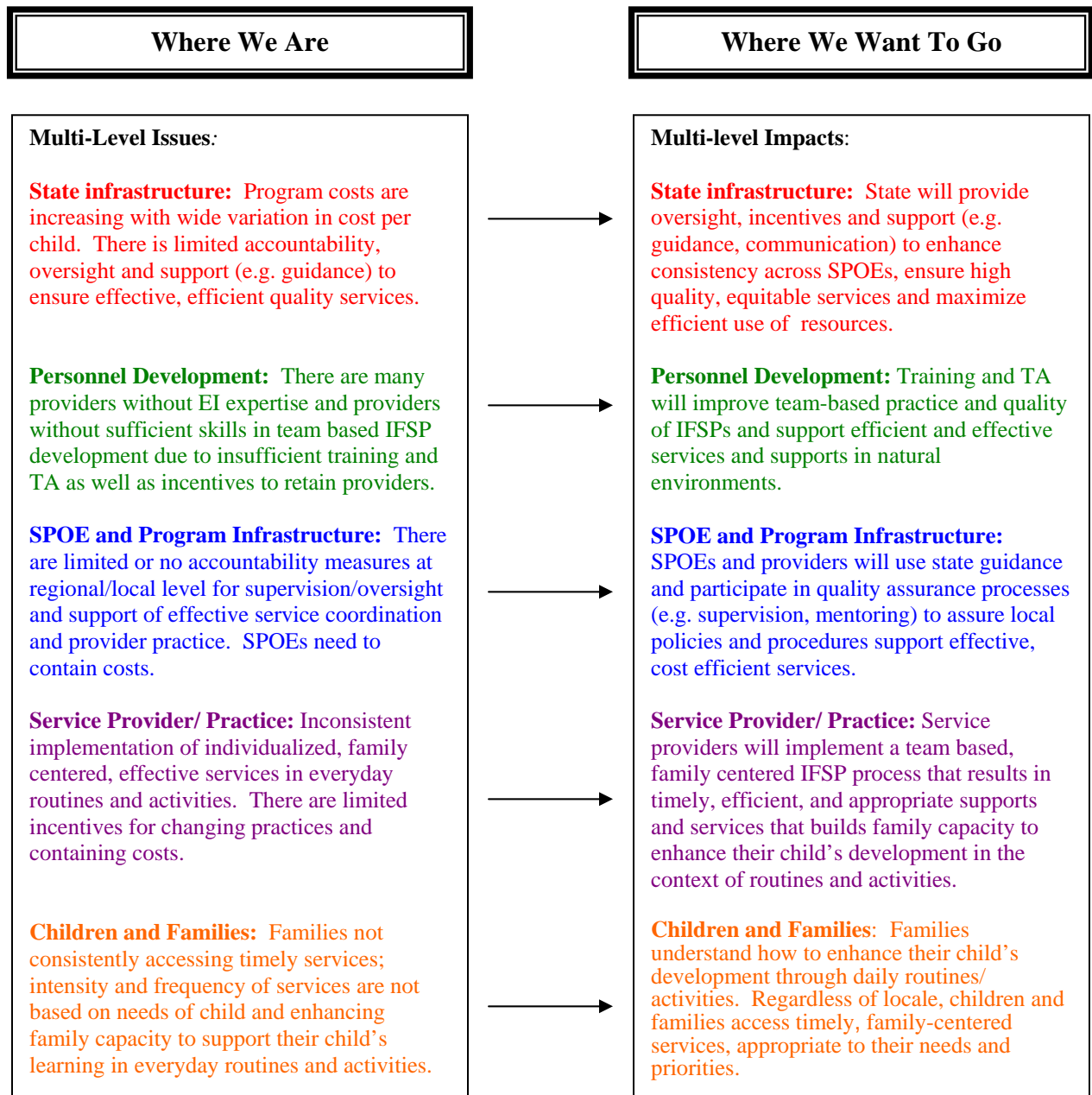
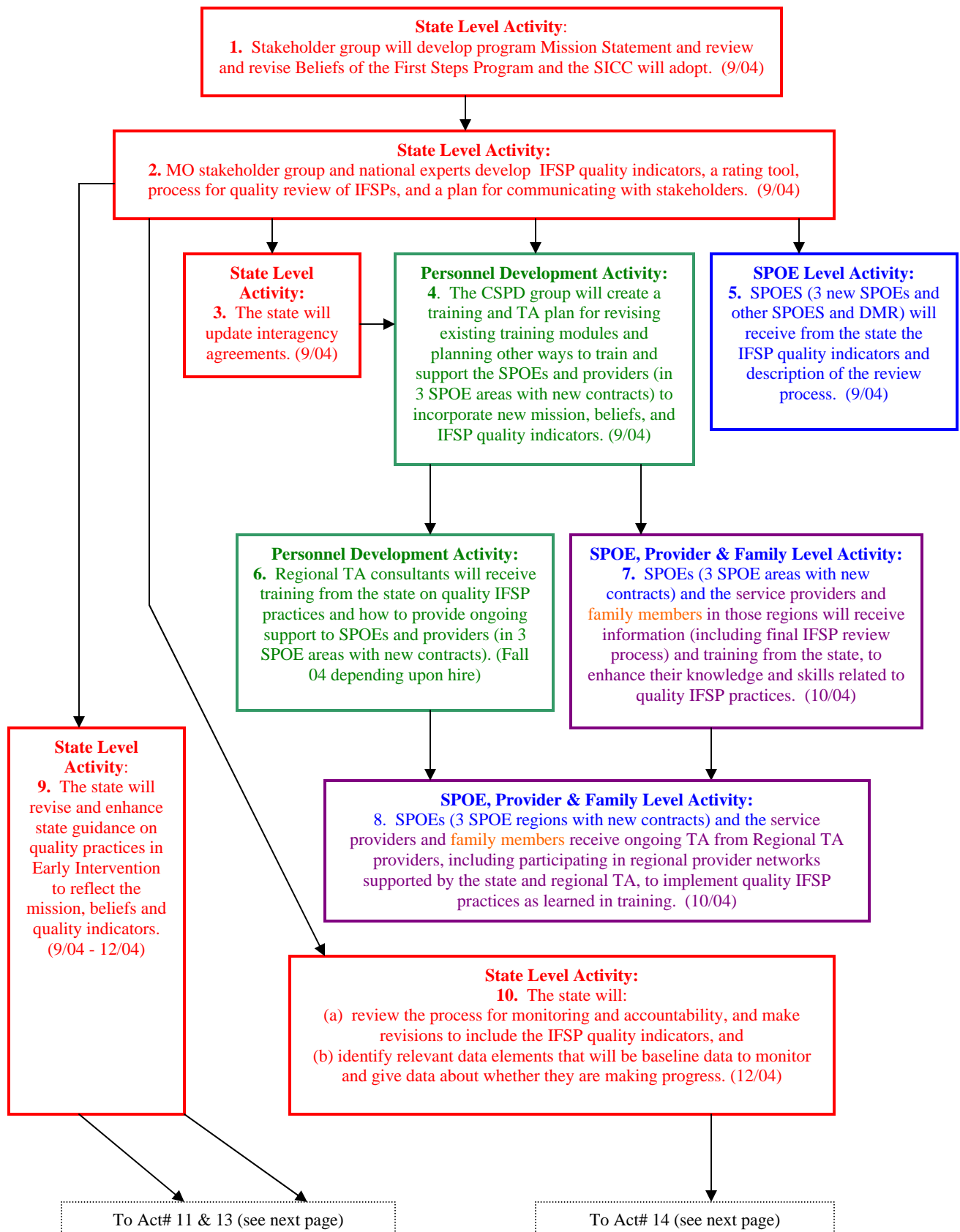


# Missouri First Steps Improvement Plan

**Challenge:** Despite a comprehensive systems redesign of the Part C Program, First Steps is challenged with increasing costs of services. Given inconsistent implementation of state policy and guidance related to team based, family-centered services, families receive inequitable services that seem to be based more on where they live than their needs and priorities. Services do not consistently focus on building family capacity to facilitate their child's learning and development in the context of everyday routines and activities. Overall, Missouri's Part C First Steps Program needs to ensure implementation of quality family-centered services through effective quality assurance mechanisms, which result in a cost effective and efficient statewide early intervention system.



## Multi-Level Improvement Activities 2004



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